MINUTES OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE

Wednesday, November 28, 2007 2:52 p.m. Room 307 House Office Building, Lansing

Representative Mayes, Chair, called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Representatives Mayes, Byrum, Angerer, Brown, Leland, Sheltrown, Ball, Nitz, Meekhof, Agema.

ABSENT/EXCUSED: Representative Kathleen Law.

Representative Agema made a motion to adopt the minutes of the meeting of November 7, 2007. No objections being offered, a unanimous ballot was cast to accept the minutes as presented.

Representative Brown made a motion to excuse absent members. No objections being offered, absent members were excused.

The Chair laid SB 92 before the Committee.

SB 92 Basham

Environmental projection; permits; liquid industrial waste; exempt fats used to produce fuels.

Andrea Coscarilla, representing Senator Basharn, reviewed the provisions of SB 92 with the Committee.

Cards for SB 92 were submitted by

Carol Linteau, representing the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), indicating a neutral position on the bill

Matt Smego, representing the Michigan Farm Bureau, indicating a neutral position on the bill

Representative Brown made a motion to amend SB 92 as follows:

- 1. Amend page 11, following line 20, by inserting:
- "(*l*) A LIQUID APPROVED BY THE DIRECTOR FOR USE AS A BIOFUEL IN ENERGY PRODUCTION IN COMPLIANCE WITH PART 55 THAT IS NOT SPECULATIVELY ACCUMULATED AND THAT IS TRANSPORTED DIRECTLY TO THE BURNER OF THE BIOFUEL.".

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Mayes, Byrum, Angerer, Brown, Leland, Sheltrown, Ball, Nitz, Meekhof, Agema. (10/11)

Nays: None. (0/11)

Pass: None. (0/11) (10/0/0)

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A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

Representative Nitz made a motion to report SB 92 (H-1) with recommendation.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Mayes, Byrum, Angerer, Brown, Leland, Sheltrown, Ball, Nitz,

Meekhof, Agema. (10/11)

Nays: None. (0/11)

Pass: None. (0/11) (10/0/0)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the motion prevailed.

There being no additional business before the Committee Chair Mayes declared the meeting

adjourned, the time being 2:59 p.m.

Representative Jeff Mayes, Chair

Catherine Petroskey, Committee Clerk (517) 373-8538